

Inventor: Yasutaka TSUKAMOTO et al.  
Application No.: 09/469,754  
Filing Date: December 22, 1999

Attorney Docket No.: 2271/53899-A  
Group Art Unit: 2123  
Examiner: Dwain M. Craig



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

MAIL STOP RCE  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

April 1, 2004

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. X Consider the unentered amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on March 10, 2004.

2.      Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on                     .

3. X Enclosed is/are

     Amendment (including transmittal)/Reply.

     Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

     Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).

     PTO-1449

     Copies of IDS Citations

X Other (identify):

Petition For Extension Of Time, including a check in the amount of \$110.00 for the one-month extension fee.

4.      Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is claimed.

     A verified statement to establish small entity status is enclosed.

     A verified statement to establish small entity status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired.

5. X A check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed.

**RECEIVED**

**APR 08 2004**

**Technology Center 2100**

6.   X   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

       RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

       Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17).

  X   Other fees (identify): any other required fees.

7.   X   Three copies of this transmittal are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Teng  
Registration No. 40,837  
Attorney for Applicants  
Cooper & Dunham LLP  
1185 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10036  
(212) 278-0400

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



Paul Teng  
Reg. No. 40,837

April 1, 2004  
Date